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was never inspected. How does he know,

then, of its condition?

A Passaic County jury has brought in a

verdict to the effect that a man "has a

perfect right to beat his wife." New

Jersey is dropping back several centu-

ries.

Wolz's comet is expected around

the early part of next month. Eyck's

comet called on us the other day. These

celestial visitors are getting very friendly.

It is surprising that an eighteen-year-

old boy should be three times a bigamist,

but more surprising that three women

should have married him.

The air contained 100 per cent. of

humidity yesterday, but the heat was less

felt owing to the chill of horror that the

Park place massacre gave.

A humble imitator of FRANK ALMY tried

yesterday to kill the woman who refused

to marry him. Morbid sentimentality

seems to be in the air.

Isn't Col. Mosby a little too violent?

His knocking down and beating of a car

conductor seems entirely unnecessary.

Some politicians say that ANDREW D.

WHITE had better not run for Governor,

as it will be a case of whitewash.

Is it possible that the rain-making ex-

pedition in the pay of the New Jersey

Umbrella Company?

Democrats propose to nominate the

flower of the flock for Governor.

PERTINENT QUESTIONS.

Why has Beattie fled?

Whose duty is it to decide if a building is

overweighted?

Does not New York need some stringent

building inspection laws?

Is not it the duty of an owner of a building

to satisfy himself of its safety before risking

his tenants' lives?

Where is the gentle George Francis Fran-

cis hiding with his psychic etiquette and fresh

roasted peanuts?

Why are recklessly drunken men allowed

to ride in Sixth avenue surface cars to the

annoyance and discomfort of unprotected

women?

Couldn't the Dead Wagon make a little bet-

ter time in reaching the homes of the city

and country dead? Can't it manifest a

trifle more respect for the feelings of the

humble creatures whose "precious dead" it

is its duty to remove?

THE CLEANER.

The terrible disaster in Park place natu-

rally recalls the awful Brooklyn The-

atrocities in the winter of 1870. It was on

the day after that appalling disaster, I think,

that I first met Theatrical Manager Harry C.

Miner. Harry wasn't a manager then. He

was a Brooklyn policeman and was on duty

at the scene of the disaster where the bodies

of the victims of the fire were exposed for

identification.

Several young Brooklynites have had their

faith in the burrowing as an oven of luck

badly shaken. They were starting on a fish-

ing trip to the other side when one of the party

picked up a metallic foot-piece. They were

puzzled at the find, and predicted a great

catch. They didn't even get a nibble, but

were drenched by a shower.

I see that "Parson" Davies, the well-known

sport, figured in a cutting scrape in Michigan

yesterday. Jim Hall, the pugilist, tried to

hit him with a bottle, and the "Parson" re-

talented by stabbing him in the throat with

a lemon knife. Hall, I understand, is not seri-

ously hurt.

I spent a pleasant evening in Mount Morris

Park recently listening to Elen's hand con-

cert. The music is good and the natural

beauty of the park amply repays one for the

visit.

I saw that the engagement of Richard

Mansfield to Beatrice Cameron is an es-

tablished fact and that the wedding will

take place in London at the conclusion of the

actor's next tour. Miss Cameron was recently

divorced from her husband, whose name is

Phobus. Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield will reside

in England.

VAGRANT VERSES.

In Hard Luck.

Old Scroggie was most unfortunate

in everything he undertook.

He met a man who was a book.

He got five thousand on his life.

He broke his leg and made him cry.

He was never to be seen again.

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The Tale of a Walcott.

She said a fair man she was.

The effort made him to see.

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An Ex-Exciter.

From Once a Week.

Mr. Upstart who has married his type-

writer—You must not go to those Jones

any more.

Mr. Upstart—See here, sir! I want you to

understand that you cannot dictate to me

now that I am your wife. Your days of dic-

tation are over.

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A Spring Lake wife told her husband

that she would commit suicide. "There's

the ocean," he suggested, "drown your-

self." And she jumped into the deep. She

was very wet when fished out. Moral:

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